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Attorney Docket No. 03554/LH**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): K. NAKATA et al.

Serial No. : 10/660,074

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For : CAMERA WITH AN EXPOSURE CONTROL
FUNCTION

Art Unit : 2851

Examiner : PERKEY, WILLIAM B.

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RESPONSE- 37 CFR 1.111

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This is responsive to the Office Action mailed
 March 17, 2004, the term for response to which expires on
 April 17, 2004.

ELECTION

Applicants hereby elect Invention I, claims 1-8 and 10-19,
 for further prosecution on the merits, without traverse.

It is respectfully requested that prosecution on the merits
 now proceed on the basis of the election set forth above.

It is respectfully submitted that this submission is fully
 responsive to the outstanding Office Action.

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If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,



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